410 IAC 1-2.5-83 Babesiosis; specific control measures

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Sec. 83. The specific control measures for babesiosis (infectious agent: Babesia species) are as follows:

- (1) An investigation by the local health officer shall:
 - (A) be performed within seventy-two (72) hours; and
 - (B) focus on source of exposure to:
 - (i) infected ticks; or
 - (ii) recent blood transfusions.

Travel history for the previous six (6) months to include the most recent summer months is essential.

- (2) Isolation is required regarding blood and body fluids.
- (3) Concurrent disinfection is not required.
- (4) Quarantine is not required.
- (5) Immunization is not available. Household contacts or traveling companions with similar exposures should also be evaluated for infection. If the patient donated blood while incubating the disease, the blood collecting agency should be notified immediately.
- (6) The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the Council of State and Territorial Epidemiologists set the standard clinical and laboratory case definition.

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